

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Nathan Parks House

## 2. Location

street &amp; number Fairbank Road \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Fairbank \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ congressional district Fifth

state MD \_\_\_\_\_ county Talbot

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Harry M. and Martha W. Krampf

street &amp; number Fairbank Road \_\_\_\_\_ telephone no.: 886-2305

city, town Fairbank \_\_\_\_\_ state and zip code MD 21671

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court \_\_\_\_\_ liber 566

street &amp; number Talbot County Courthouse \_\_\_\_\_ folio 751

city, town Easton \_\_\_\_\_ state MD

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ local

pository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state

## 7. Description

Survey No. T-825

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Nathan Parks House is the third house from the water on the east side of the Fairbank Road in the village of Fairbank on Tilghman Island, Talbot County, Maryland. This two-and-a-half story frame house faces west with the principal gable running on a north/south axis.

Originally built for Marianna Parks on Holland's Island, this house was disassembled and transported to Tilghman Island on the bugeye "Spanish Chief" by her son, Captain Nathan Parks. The center hall frame house was reassembled in 1918, with the only change in plan being an enlarged entrance hall.

The Parks House is supported by a brick pier foundation, and is covered by an asphalt shingle roof. The exterior is covered in white vinyl siding.

The east (main) facade is a symmetrical elevation with a central door and flanking two-over-two sash windows with louvered shutters. The door has sidelights and the windows are shaded by striped awnings. A porch extends across the first story of the main facade with turned supports, decorative brackets, and a square post balustrade. The second floor is lit by three two-over-two sash windows with louvered shutters and striped awnings. A center bay cross gable with a pointed-arch window inset marks the attic story of the main facade. Two interior chimneys flank the central hall, and the open eave has exposed rafter feet.

The north gable end is lit by two two-over-two sash windows on the first and second floors. A square one-over-one sash window marks the attic story.

Stretching across the west (rear) elevation of the house is a one-story, enclosed addition with french doors. This addition was first added in the 1940s and then expanded in the 1980s. The second story is lit by three two-over-two sash windows.

The south gable end is lit by a pair of two-over-two sash windows on the first and second floors. An entrance door marks the south elevation of the rear addition. A square one-over-one sash window lights the attic story.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

### Specific dates

### Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

In 1918, Captain Nathan Parks transported his mother's house from Holland's Island to Tilghman Island on the bugeye Spanish Chief. Although many houses were supposedly transported from Holland's Island to Tilghman around the turn of the century, the Nathan Parks House is the only one which is consistently referred to by Islanders as an extant result of a successful move. Despite its siding and fence enclosure, the character of the Parks House has remained consistent with the simplicity of its original design.

The Nathan Parks House is one of a collection of two-story, three bay, frame dwellings which face the main street of Fairbank, and create an intimate village atmosphere.

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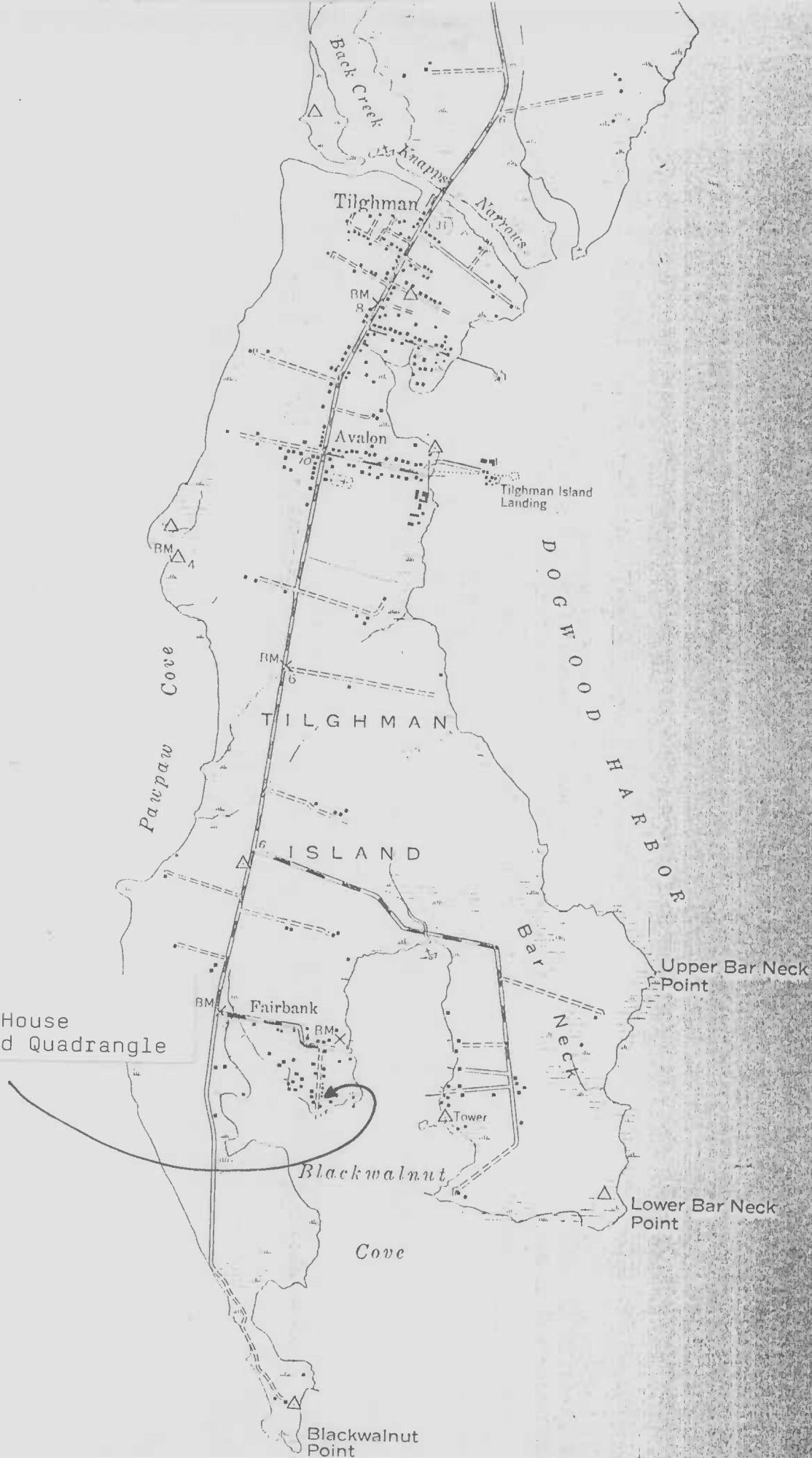
**Quadrangle scale** \_\_\_\_\_

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Nathan Parks House description continued.

A deck and hot tub sit in the backyard. The house is surrounded by a white picket fence added by the current owners.

T-825  
Nathan Parks' House  
Tilghman Island Quadrangle





NATHAN PARKS HOUSE

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TILGHMAN ISLAND, TALBOT COUNTY, MD

SOUTHWEST ELEVATION.

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